

Chairman Genachowski and whomever this may concern at the FCC,

The corporate news media often like to talk about so called moral values but ignore real moral issues like U.S. poverty, global poverty, homelessness, income inequality, the U.S.'s Digital Divide -- how many people lack broadband Internet access because the market for access is not competitive and affordable enough. We need media ownership rules to protect against further consolidation and to promote more diversity on the radio dial and on television broadcasts. Below I will submit comments reviewing the state of commercial, noncommercial, public, local and government media in my community and why we need action by the FCC on Internet issues and media ownership issues. First though I'll provide an appeal to the FCC to reclassify broadband and protect the Open Internet and your agency's National Broadband Plan.

We need the FCC to protect the Open Internet by reclassifying broadband a telecommunications service under Title II of the 1996 Telecommunications Act to re-regulate broadband providers and require they abide by Network Neutrality rules of nondiscrimination and to implement The National Broadband Plan. To even have the authority to implement the National Broadband Plan or NBP and protect Net Neutrality though the FCC must reclassify broadband as I stated.

Now here are my responses to the questions I said I would cover and the questions:

1) What are the information needs of your community?

My community needs to know more about what is happening in our community as well as having better access to news about what is happening around the nation and the world. President Obama today spoke at a commencement ceremony for a graduating 2010 class of the urgency and the need for citizens to remain well informed. Whatever your opinions may be don't just trust one source of news and information, if you watch FOX News fine but also watch CNN or MSNBC and verify what FOX is saying against those networks. If after watching the other networks you feel frustrated with what those networks say and liked FOX's reporting better fine but at least individuals would have heard both sides of the story.

Also we need news reporters to spend more time reporting news and less time injecting their opinion into it. Now in respect to the informational needs of Yuma AZ we need to know about efforts in Washington D.C. to pass a federal immigration reform bill since The State of Arizona unfortunately recently passed a racial profiling papers please immigration law allowing law enforcement to stop anyone under suspicion because of the way they look etc and demand proof they are not an illegal immigrant. We need to be kept informed about things done in our town, our state and in our nation.

We need to hear all sides of a story so we can be properly kept informed. Unfortunately, a court

recently struck down from what I've heard FCC media ownership rules that protected the public and prevented further media consolidation that was not in the best interests of the public. So as the FCC reclassifies broadband to protect its legal authority to protect Net Neutrality and implement The National Broadband Plan the FCC must also find a way to restore media ownership limits and maintain them as constitutional in the threat of another court lawsuit. Reassert your authority on this issue as well and use statutory legal authority to do it. Don't just do it because it's been FCC policy do it because it's in the best interests of the public and do it because you have the authority -- decide you have the authority and act on that decision.

I find out about local election results etc from the local news reporting done on City News and/or KYMA. I rely on KYMA often for local weather news and we need to ensure quality reporting on local issues continues and we have enough diversity and independent reporting at all levels local, state, national and there is sufficient international coverage by national news reporters.

2) How is Commercial Media serving your community?

Commercial media is okay in the community at the local level -- The Yuma Sun newspaper is a good paper and they have a website at www.yumasun.com for people choosing to read the news online. We also have KYMA a NBC owned affiliate channel on channel 11 that provides KYMA News every day. We only have 1 local newspaper company though and 1 commercial local news affiliate. However, KYMA is not all that local -- for people choosing to work for KYMA they have to submit job applications to the corporate office which is in Las Vegas Nevada. Hence, the corporate office is not also in Yuma. All of the Yuma Sun's operations though are in Yuma. They are not an independently owned company anymore at least. They once were but are now owned by Freedom Communications Inc., however, if you want to work for The Sun and they have job openings available their HR department is also in Yuma whereas KYMA's HR department is at the corporate offices in Las Vegas Nevada.

3) What is the state of Nonprofit, Community and Public Media in your community?

In Yuma AZ we have KAWC a nonprofit based radio station owned and operated by Arizona Western College a local community college. I have an iPhone app called Public Radio Tuner on my iPod Touch that when connected to the Internet lets me stream Internet radio content from public broadcasters. KAWC is the only provider of noncommercial radio I can easily access in my community. KAWC has at least 2 channels last I checked, but it doesn't matter how many stations they have what matters is how many independent noncommercial providers are available. On television cable channel 74 is operated by Arizona Western College but all they do on that channel is play music, provide news announcements of educational opportunities at the bottom in the form of a

ticker -- text based news updates appear on the screen and keep moving along the bottom until they disappear but then another set of text appears and so on and so on.

4) What is the Local Impact of Internet and Mobile Services

High speed Internet access in my community enables me and others in my town to connect with the world's computer networks and share information, ideas etc. The Internet enables local as well as global communication. We can communicate with others at a local, national or global level. The Internet and mobile services are essential for commerce, innovation, telecommunication and sharing information freely. Mobile services provide a way to access the Internet using mobile devices. Whether I use a fixed wireline provider of broadband Internet access be it cable or phone company DSL or I use a wireless provider and use mobile broadband to connect to the Internet by accessing a wireless phone carrier's 3G network. I can use the Internet on my phone using my carrier's service or get a laptop connect card etc from a wireless phone carrier to connect to the Internet using a laptop computer.